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SUBJECT: GHANA/GUINEA RELATIONS

REF: MONROVIA 4630 (NOTAL)

1. MORNING SEPTEMBER 13 ALLOTEY, COUNSELLOR GHANA EMBASSY HERE, CAME AT HIS REQUEST AND SAID HE INTERESTED IN OUR ASSESSMENT RELATIVE INFLUENCE PRC AND USSR IN GUINEA. WHILE HE DID NOT STATE HE UNDER INSTRUCTIONS SEEK THIS INFORMATION, HE OPENLY ACKNOWLEDGED GHANA GOVERNMENT EXAMINING GUINEA SITUATION IN LIGHT RECENTLY RENEWED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. HIS QUESTIONS WERE (A) WHAT ARE RELATIVE POSITIONS OF INFLUENCE CHINA AND USSR IN GUINEA TODAY AND (B) WHAT ARE NUMBERS OF CHINESE AND RUSSIANS PRESENTLY IN GUINEA.

2. ALLOTEY SAID ACCRA WAS LOOKING INTO ENTIRE PROBLEM OF THEIR RELATIONS WITH GUINEA AND IN VIEW LACK MISSION THERE WERE ANXIOUS TO FIND OUT WHAT THEY COULD OF PRESENT GUINEAN SITUATION. HE SAID GHANA WOULD NOT SEND AMBASSADOR TO CONAKRY UNTIL THEY HAD FIRM INDICATION FROM GUINEA THAT THEY WOULD SEND AMBASSADOR TO ACCRA. HE SAID GHANA HAD BEEN ENCOURAGED BY RECENT RELEASE OF
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TWELVE GHANAIAAN FISHERMEN AND THAT THERE WERE PRESENTLY NO MORE

GHANAIANS TO THEIR KNOWLEDGE IN GUINEA JAILS. WHILE DISCUSSING GUINEA LEADERSHIP TODAY, ALLOTEY SAID IT HIS VIEW SEKOU TOURE GOING DOWNHILL AND MIGHT NOT LAST MUCH LONGER. IN RHETORICAL QUESTION HE WONDERED HOW LONG GUINEAN PEOPLE COULD PUT UP WITH LACK OF PERFORMANCE BY ITS LEADERSHIP AND NEVER-ENDING PLOT, INVASION AND ASSASSINATION SCARES. EMBOFF OPINED TOURE HAD LASTED LONG TIME AND WOULD PROBABLY LAST THROUGH PRESENT EMOTIONAL PERIOD.

3. IF DEPARTMENT FEELS PROVISION INFORMATION REQUESTED BY ALLOTEY WOULD BE USEFUL, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE SUMMARY DATA AND OTHER COMMENTS WHICH WE CAN PASS TO HIM.

4. FOR ACCRA AND DEPARTMENT: REFTEL REQUESTED ANY BIO DATA AVAILABLE ON ALLOTEY. WE WOULD BE MOST INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT HIM. HE APPEARS BE COMPETENT, VERY SHARP MINDED AND SKILLED IN HIS PROFESSION.
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